

FRANCE WANTS MONTHLY LOAN OF A HUNDRED MILLION SURE

Joffre Arrives At Head of French Commission and Outlines Needs of His Nation and What America Will Be Asked For

POILUS ALSO WISH TO FIGHT BESIDE YANKEES

Government in Paris Hopes That Washington Will Send Expeditionary Force Under Stars and Stripes to the Western Field

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, April 25—The French government will need the loan of one hundred million dollars a month, from the government of the United States.

The French government also wishes and hopes that the United States will be able to send armed forces to combat the Huns on battle fields of Europe.

These are the two salient features of an interview granted to the Associated Press by "Papa" Joffre, who for two long years carried the burden of directing the war upon his broad shoulders, and is still the nominal commander-in-chief of the French forces. The famous French commander, is at the head of the French commission which reached the Virginian Capes on board a French cruiser yesterday afternoon, and which is expected to arrive here on board the President's yacht, Mayflower early today.

It was indicated that General Joffre will outline his reasons and those of the French government, why it is hoped that the United States will be able to send a force of armed men to the western front as soon as possible. It will be pointed out that such a movement on the part of the American government will do more to hearten the fighters on the west front than anything else that could be done. The effect of having the Stars and Stripes against them and seeing that America is bending every effort to assist in the crushing of Prussianism, will it is believed, have just the opposite effect upon the Boches in the trenches.

It is understood that the French ministry of marine has already worked out a plan for transporting troops to Europe and that this plan will be submitted to the American authorities by the French commission when the formal conferences begin today.

The loans which the United States will be asked to make to France will be one hundred million dollars a month. Practically all of this sum will be spent in this country for the purchase of supplies, munitions and the like by the French military authorities. It amounts to extending a credit of that amount to France in order to prevent the further breaking of the French exchange.

Arrangements for loaning Great Britain two hundred million dollars have been completed by the treasury department and it is likely that the loan will be announced today. A similar loan will be made to Italy within a short time.

GREEN SUCCEEDS RITHE AS COMPANY OFFICIAL

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) SAN FRANCISCO, April 25—Charles E. Green was elected yesterday at the annual meeting of the Honolulu Oil Company second vice-president of the corporation, succeeding Rithet, who resigned on account of ill health. Captain William Matson, president, and all the other officers with the exception of Rithet were re-elected.

CENSORSHIP BONDS UPON PRESS ARE MADE MUCH LOOSER

Espionage Bill Is Amended So As To Permit Justifiable Criticism of Government Action and Government Officials By the Newspapers of Land

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, April 25—The attempt to muzzle the press so as to prevent criticism of the government failed yesterday when the Espionage Bill with this feature eliminated was favorably reported to the house. An amendment providing for censorship of newspapers was tacked onto the Espionage Bill soon after its introduction, and around this amendment a violent controversy has raged. The press of the country was virtually a unit in denouncing the attempt of certain members of congress to muzzle it, and the amendment was declared on the floor of the house unconstitutional as being an infringement of the freedom of the press which is guaranteed by the Constitution.

The committee having the bill in charge finally amended it so as to knock out the objectionable feature, and so reported the bill back to the house.

KHAN OF KIVA MAY GIVE PEOPLE VOTE

Half Savage State of Central Asia Feeling Pressure of Demand For Freedom

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) LONDON, April 25—The demand for popular government that is spreading like wildfire throughout the potentate ruled nations of the world has reached even to the half-savage kingdoms of Central Asia, according to a Reuters' dispatch from that news agency's Petrograd correspondent. The dispatch says that Said Asfendiar, the Khan of Kiva, yielding to popular demand will grant a constitution to his subjects. The Khanate of Kiva is a little country of approximately 22,000 square miles, which is adjacent to and tributary to Russian Turkestan.

TEXAS LEGISLATORS BAR GRAIN FOR BOOZE

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) AUSTIN, Texas, April 25—The senate of the Texas legislature adopted a resolution memorializing congress to prohibit the use of grain for the manufacture of intoxicating liquors. This matter is already before congress in the shape of an amendment introduced last Friday by Senator Cummins of Iowa to the Espionage Bill. Senator Cummins' amendment would prohibit the use of grain, which is urgently needed now by the United States and the world in general, for the manufacture of alcoholic beverages.

GOMPERS ASKS FRENCH TO LABOR CONFERENCE

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, April 25—Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor has extended greetings to the working men of France and has asked them to send delegates to this country for a great conference of laboring men to be held here to discuss labor's part in the war.

GERMAN SAILORS ARE ARRESTED ON COAST

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) SEATTLE, April 24—Four German sailors taken from an American schooner arriving from Kananapa are held at the immigrant detention station, following their arrest at a nearby port. They are held pending instructions from Washington.

STEAMER CORONADO AFIRE OFF COAST

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) SAN FRANCISCO, April 25—The coastwise steamer Coronado is reported ablaze off the coast of California. Her passengers are said to have been put in a place of safety.

A PARENT'S DUTY

Your boy is always getting scratched or cut or bruised. Because these wounds have healed all right is no sign they always will. Get a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and see that every injury is cared for immediately. You can get nothing better, and blood poisoning is too dangerous a disease to risk. For sale by all dealers. Benson, Smith & Co., agents for Hawaii.—Advertisement.

SPANIARDS WARN PIRATES OF BERLIN

Replies To German Pleas of Necessity With Statement of Pending Policy

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) LONDON, April 25—Spain is coming to the end of her patience with Germany, and one paragraph of the note which she has sent to the Berlin government is most significant. The communication is in response to a message from Berlin defending the continued sinking of unarmed neutral ships. It is pointed out that Germany claims to be forced to take these measures "in order to save her life." Very good, the Spanish note says in effect, but if that is true then we "shall be compelled to take steps to defend ours."

Reports from Christians yesterday indicated that even the Wilhelmstrasse is beginning to realize that the submarine warfare is not doing what it was hoped, but is bringing upon Germany more foes than she expected or desired. These despatches declare that, following the receipt of reports from German agents in neutral countries, Berlin will draft regulations controlling the operation of U-boats against neutral shipping. It is believed that Spain has obtained concessions looking toward the protection of Spanish vessels in the war zones.

WOULD RAISE ARMY BY A REFERENDUM

La Follette Also Wants To Eliminate Draft Feature of the Pending Measure

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, April 25—Senator La Follette has another plan. He wishes now to amend the Army Bill so as to provide for the recruiting of soldiers by a referendum vote. This was the outstanding feature of the debate upon the measure in both houses yesterday. The house hopes to reach a vote not later than Friday, but opponents put the time still later, as there are more than sixty amendments still to be made in the lower house. In the senate also there remains much talking to be done before the time comes for a vote on the measure. Many senators have indicated their intention to discuss the bill.

SON OF CHANCELLOR WOUNDED IN BATTLE

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) LONDON, April 25—Lieut. C. J. Law, second son of Bonar Law, chancellor of the exchequer, is reported as wounded and missing in Palestine where he has been taking part in General Maude's great drive against the Turks.

MAY SEND RIVENBURGH ON TRIP TO CAPITAL

Although Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 14 (Chillingworth), sent to the house last Saturday, still in committee and there have been no indications of the disposition toward it that the house may entertain, Senator Baldwin said yesterday in the most matter of fact tone that it was expected to pass.

SENATOR ROOT WILL HEAD SLAV MISSION

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, April 24—It was made known today that Senator Elihu Root will be named head of the proposed American commission to Russia if he will consent to serve. He has been tentatively picked by the President, who has completed the selection of the principal members of the commission.

EASTERN RAILROAD HAS ELECTED NEW PRESIDENT

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) NEW YORK, April 24—Announcement was made today by the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad management that E. J. Pearson, vice-president of the system now, has been chosen to succeed Howard Elliott, who has resigned.

PRESS OF BERLIN CHANGES ITS TUNE

Seek To Avoid Loss of Indemnity and Land

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) LONDON, April 25—The German press is beginning to sing a different tune. Instead of asserting that Germany is going to end the war and how she pleases and that her monstrous war debt will be eased by the receipt of a huge indemnity, the press of Berlin is now declaring that the war must end without any nation having acquired additional territory and without a demand for indemnity.

BRITISH CONTROL IN AIR

Down Forty Aeroplanes of Enemy

(By Associated Press Special Correspondent via Naval Radio) BRITISH HEADQUARTERS IN FRANCE, April 25—The bitter fighting upon the ground is being duplicated by the fighting that is taking place in the air above the battlefields of the western front. The Royal Flying Corps, which has been steadily gaining in efficiency and strength, created a brand new record Monday when it most defeated a squadron of German planes, bringing down forty of them. The battle in the air raged for more than two hours and at altitudes of more than fifteen thousand feet, high above the range of the anti-aircraft guns, or "Archie," as the Tommy Atkins calls them. Only two of the British machines that went to meet the German airmen failed to return to their hangars, and the British are now in complete control of the air in all the sector.

KAMEHAMEHA CADET IS LOST IN FERN JUNGLES ON VOLCANO SLOPES

Lost in the fern jungles of the Volcano of Kilanea that clothe the lower slopes of Mauna Loa, whose snow-capped summit rises 13,680 feet above the sea, John Kakae, one of the cadets of Kamehameha School, a battalion of which has been spending its annual outing at Kilanea Military Camp, is believed to be dead, although all hope of rescue has not yet been given up. On Monday morning Secretary Wilcox of the board of trustees of the Kamehameha Schools, wirelessly to Sheriff Pao of Hilo offering \$250 reward to any person or persons finding the lost boy, or his remains.

It was Thursday afternoon that the last was seen of the missing cadet. About four o'clock that afternoon, two other cadets returning to camp by the mountain trail and about a mile and a half from camp, met John and spoke to him. "Hello, John," said one, "where are you going?" "Oh, I just gave Mr. Bostwick the slip for awhile," answered John with a laugh, as though he thought it a good joke.

Mysteriously Disappears The other boys urged that he return to camp with them, but he said there was no hurry and that he would get back later. They left him there on the mountain trail among the tree ferns, and that is the last that has been seen or heard of the boy; from that moment he mysteriously dropped out of sight. Whether dead or alive there is no satisfactory theory.

When Kakae did not answer roll call early Friday morning Mr. Bostwick, who was in charge of the cadets, hastily gathered a posse composed of the larger boys and started out on a search. They followed the trail to where John had last been seen and searched all through that part of the fern forest, shooting off a revolver and calling. But there was no answer and no trace.

Meanwhile Prof. E. C. Webster got to a telephone and called up Hilo to find out if John had by any means gone to his father's home at Papakou, where John Kakae Sr. is the trustee officer for the district. But the boy had not gone home.

Professor Webster then called upon Foreman Dent, of the big Shipman Ranch, for help and Mr. Dent organized a posse of cowboys on horseback and with Mr. Webster went the rest of the day on the mountain slopes searching the country around the camp, but no trace of the missing boy could be discovered.

Country Is Wild The country where John Kakae is lost is a wild one. The two volcanoes of Kilanea and Mauna Loa are covered with picturesque forests of dense tree ferns, except around the crater of Kilanea, where there is the fiery pit of this city.

SLAV POLICE SAVE AMERICAN EMBASSY

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) PETROGRAD, April 25—The police yesterday frustrated the attempt of a small group of ultra-radicals to attack the American embassy here. The demonstration against Americans followed the report that the government of the United States had "killed an American anarchist named Mooney in San Francisco."

APPROPRIATION BILL IS SIGNED BY PRESIDENT

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) WASHINGTON, April 24—President Wilson today signed the seven-billion-dollar war loan and expenditures bill.

NINE SHIPS SUNK IN SEVEN DAYS

Submarine Toll For Week Announced By Maritime Register of New York

The submerging of nine vessels was reported during the week ending April 21, their loss being officially noted in the New York Maritime Register. One of the most interesting items appearing in the casualty list of that paper refers to the American steamer Frederick, which sailed from Loughbray, Cape Breton, for Archangel on January 18 under command of Captain Robbins and was not heard of again. In February a bottle containing a farewell message was picked up on the Orkney Islands stating that the vessel was sinking in mid-ocean. Ambassador Page secured the message and cabled it to the state department on April 9.

The list of submarine casualties for that week is as follows: Norwegian steamer Anna Postensen, with a \$350,000 cargo from New York for Rotterdam sunk by a submarine off coast of Holland on April 7. A dispatch dated April 5 reported the following loss: The British steamer Canadian, with 1200 horses from Boston to Liverpool was sunk without warning by four torpedoes when eight miles from Skelligs at half-past two o'clock on the afternoon of April 4. Captain Bullock was killed by the explosion of a torpedo but the crew was safely landed at Queenstown. The Norwegian steamer Feistola carrying Belgian relief stores from Philadelphia was sunk in the North Sea, it is presumed by a mine. No details were received of her loss. Other Belgian relief ships sent to the bottom by the Germans were lost near the same place.

The British steamer Lincolshire from New York for Havre, was mysteriously reported in official dispatches as having been sunk by a submarine. An unconfirmed report resulting in the posting of the British steamer Maine as missing, came from Philadelphia stating that the vessel had been sunk by a mine three days out from London bound for an American port.

The American-Hawaiian steamer Missioner appeared in this list as it was sunk following her departure from Jeju on April 4. The steamer Roward, from New York for Genoa was reported sunk and the crew landed at Vigo. The dispatch dated April 9.

The British steamer Stanley en route from Newport News for French port was sunk by a submarine on March 22 and five of her crew killed. Two others of the crew, one an American, died from exposure in the boats.

The Belgian steamer Trevelier with Belgian relief supplies was torpedoed and sunk without warning by a submarine April 4 off Scheveningen. Eight members of the crew were drowned.

LETS DOWN BARS FOR MONEY MAKING SOLONS

The senate went on record yesterday as seeing no impropriety in members of the legislature seeking and obtaining contracts from the government. This is strictly consistent with the opinion of Attorney General Staehle on Senator Quinn's contract for plumbing at the Oahu prison and with the report of the senate committee which investigated the contract.

In recommending for passage House Bill No. 260 entitled "An Act to amend Section 164 of the Revised Laws of Hawaii, 1915, forbidding officers and employees of the Territory, or political subdivisions thereof, to become interested in public contracts," the senate judiciary committee said:

"This bill provides that the section forbidding officers and employees of the Territory or counties to become interested in public contracts shall not prohibit any member of the legislature from bidding in open competition with others for the purchase or sale of any property or the performance of any work set forth in the section."

BURNED CONGRESS TO BE ON THIS RUN

Mail advices received here from Look Tin Eli, president and general manager of the China Mail Steamship Company states that as soon as the shipyards can refit the burned steamer Congress she will be placed on the same run as the steamer China, now plying between San Francisco and the Orient, via Honolulu. The China Mail, as reported by the Associated Press recently, purchased the vessel for \$800,000, a high price for a steamer that had been gutted by fire. The company says the president is prepared to spend \$750,000 more in refitting the Congress and the work will start as soon as the shipyards can get to it.

AN IMPROVED QUININE DOES NOT AFFECT THE HEAD

Because of its tonic and laxative effect, LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE will be found better than ordinary Quinine. Does not cause nervousness, nor ringing in the head. Remember, there is only one "Bromo Quinine." The signature of H. W. Grove is on each box.

PRISONERS AND GREAT GERMAN CANNON TAKEN ON WEST FRONT

More Than Two Thousand Additional Prisoners Captured By the Onward Moving Britons and French in Fierce Fighting

HUGE TRENCH HOWITZERS CAPTURED IN THE DRIVE

Turks Reinforced in Holy Land and Are Reported To Be Making Desperate Stand To Drive Foes Out From Jerusalem

(Associated Press By Naval Radio Service) NEW YORK, April 25—Two thousand prisoners taken from the German forces under von Hindenburg, important positions wrested out of their grip and the capture of four of the great one hundred and five centimeter cannon of which the Germans are so proud by the French are the salient features of the fighting that is still going forward upon the western front, although with diminishing intensity.

Between the little Senece river, four and a half miles south of the bluff overlooking the south bank of the Scarpe and about the same distance from their lines at Monchy Le Preux, the British struck again yesterday. It is this line that contains the key to the German position east of Arras, where they are defending Cambrai and Douai. Here the troops, under General Haig smashed through the first lines, battering down the German resistance with their heavy guns and taking more prisoners.

Since Monday morning two thousand prisoners, most of them unwounded, have been taken in that sector by the victorious British troops, and repeated German counter attacks have been broken to splinters by the barrage fire of the British guns.

Earlier dispatches reported that "the bitterest fighting of all the terrible combat on the western front during the Anglo-French offensive is taking place today. It is focused on the 'Wotan line,' which is a hastily organized position east of Arras made by the Germans as they retired when the northern end of the Hindenburg line was turned by General Haig's troops."

"The Germans are making a supreme effort to hold this vital portion of the defenses and keep it from crumbling, which would expose the entire Douai-Cambrai front and force a greater retreat on the part of the Germans on the west."

London officially announced yesterday that the British had succeeded in advancing along a wide front south of the Cambrai-Bapaume road, and that they had reached the Saint Quentin canal. The villages of Beauchamp, Villers and Fosseux, and hundreds of prisoners were taken.

The British army headquarters in France reported that the resistance of the Germans decreased as they were driven closer to the famous "vin Hindenburg" line positions. "This is particularly true along the present front," continues the dispatch, "where the threat is against the Drocourt and Queant switch, which the Germans are depending upon to serve them as a connecting link between the lines south of Saint Quentin and Lille."

Berlin admitted that the British had made gains and said that the ruins of Guiseppe had "remained in the hands of the advancing British."

Further south and east the French had last night resumed their artillery preparation for attack and have succeeded in taking from the retreating Germans four of the monster one hundred and five centimeter howitzers.

On the eastern battle fronts there has been but little activity. The Turks have received large reinforcements in Palestine and are making a desperate stand in an effort to save Jerusalem from the advancing British troops.

Both Rome and Vienna report that there have been violent artillery bombardments in the Gorizia plateau country, which have extended as far as the head of the Adriatic Sea. This is taken to mean that the Austrians are possibly planning to resume the offensive in the Sugana Valley.